IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA AT CHARLESTON

B.P.J., by her next friend and mother, HEATHER JACKSON,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Civil Action No. 2:21-cv-00316 Hon. Joseph R. Goodwin

WEST VIRGINIA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION; HARRISON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION; WEST VIRGINIA SECONDARY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES COMMISSION; W. CLAYTON BURCH in his official capacity as State Superintendent; and, DORA STUTLER in her official capacity as Harrison County Superintendent,

Defendants.

$\frac{\text{STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA'S UNOPPOSED MOTION TO INTERVENE AND FOR}{\text{PROPOSED RESPONSE DEADLINE}}$

The State of West Virginia, by its Attorney General, (the "State") respectfully moves to intervene to defend the constitutionality of the state statute challenged in this case and for the Court to set June 25, 2021, as the deadline for the State to respond to Plaintiff's Motion for Preliminary Injunction, with a reply deadline for Plaintiff of July 2, 2021. The reasons for granting the motion are set forth in the State's accompanying memorandum of law, which is incorporated by reference. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 24. The State seeks to intervene for sole and limited purpose of defending the challenge statute and does not waive its right to sovereign immunity.

Respectfully submitted,

THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA,

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